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Naval Raid on the British Coast

London, Dec. 16.—The official bureau late today issued the following statement from the war office regarding the German raid:

"At 8 a.m. today three enemy ships were sighted off Hartlepool and at 8.15 they commenced a bombardment. These ships appeared to be two battle cruisers and one armed cruiser."

"The land batteries replied, and are reported to have hit and damaged the enemy."

"At 8.30 the firing ceased and the enemy steamed away. None of our guns were touched. One shell fell in the Royal Engineers' lines, and several in the lines of the 18th Service Battalion of the Durham Light Infantry."

"The casualties among the troops amounted to seven killed and 14 wounded."

"Some damage was done to the town, and the gas works were set on fire."

"During the bombardment, especially in West Hartlepool, the people crowded in the streets and approximately 22 were killed and 50 wounded."

"At the same time a battle cruiser and an armed cruiser appeared off Scarborough and fired fifty shots, which caused considerable damage, and thirteen casualties are reported."

"At Whitby two battle cruisers fired some shots, doing damage to buildings, and the following casualties are reported:

"Two killed, two wounded."

"At all three places there was an entire absence of panic, and the demeanor of the people was everything that could be desired."

CONFIDENCE PREVAILS THROUGHOUT INDIA

London, Dec. 16.—A special despatch from Delhi, says:

Reports which the government of India is receiving regularly from the province indicate that the internal situation continues satisfactory. Trade as a consequence of the destruction of the German cruiser Renden, is showing encouraging signs of recovery, and the tendency to withdraw savings bank deposits is decreasing. A general feeling of confidence prevails. News of the British naval victory off the Falkland Islands had an excellent effect. The prices of some commodities rise high, but power has been taken by ordinance of the government to control them.

Wild rumors still circulate in the bazaars, such as, that the king emperor had been captured by a Zeppelin and that the Kaiser has appointed certain German judges to sit with the English ones. The very absurdity of such statements defeats the object of their circulation, but every effort is being made to reassure the credulous both by the government of India and by the rulers of the native states.

BERLIN ADMITS RUSSIANS ARE STILL ACTIVE

Berlin, Dec. 15.—The latest reports from the fighting zone around Lodz, according to information given out by the German official press bureau today, show that the resistance of the Russians in that region is by no means broken. The new Russian positions on Miazga cut are only some 12 or 13 miles to eastward of Lodz, which demonstrates, it is said, that much remains to be done before the Russians can be considered definitely defeated.

In these circumstances, the German statement says the battle in the vicinity of Lodz, to the northeast of Lodz, has gained added significance for if the Germans succeed in breaking through here, the positions of the Russians behind Miazga will be untenable.

The report from South Poland does not mention the place where

the Austro-German attacks on the Russians have been resumed, but it probably is at a point to the south of Potokow. These attacks serve the purpose of preventing the Russians from reaching forces to assist their armies further to the north. These attacks, as well as those of the Austrians in the south thus far have led to no definite results.

"Advices received here, from Budapest, that another attempt of the Russians to enter the Hungarian province of Zee-myslin has been frustrated. Telegrams from Turkey announce the occupation by the Ottoman troops of Gerdik, which is further step towards the investment of the Russian fortified camp of Ratum, from the land side, and that the communications of the Russians between the upper and lower parts of Adzharia Valley have been cut."

OTTAWA SOCIAL STAR IS A GERMAN BLY

Ottawa, Dec. 11.—A former social star, one of the brightest that ever shone in Ottawa, has been proven by the officials at the militia department a German spy.

When "Count" Max F. Lynar Von London was here during the latter part of last January, and the early part of February, he was a veritable lion among the 400. He was one of the guests of honor at the state ball at Government House last January. He entertained several of the elite and was in turn entertained by them. Fully commissioned officers were constantly in his suite at the new Russell Hotel.

But the "count" who posed for a former officer of the famous Prussian Guards, had an eye for business when he was attending to the social side of his nature, which was apparently well developed. He tried to sell the militia department several articles of his own invention, a wonderful ammunition pack to a nailless horseshoe. It is not sufficient orders he and his partner, who was apparently a silent one, would build large factories in Britain and Fort Erie. The ammunition pack was tested by the department and approved, but the order wasn't placed. The "count" had only one sample.

The "count" came to Ottawa with letters from the British ambassador at Washington, who gave him letters following an introduction from the German ambassador in the American capital.

He put in a lot of time in the militia department building and was particularly zealous in his efforts to get the militia department to equip the Canadian forces in the event of war. He wanted to know if Canada would help Great Britain should she and Germany take up arms against each other.

Now the militia officials have learned that the "count" was here solely for the purpose of gathering all the information he could about the militia department for the German government. He disappeared suddenly from Ottawa, and the next time anything was heard of him was when he was arrested on a charge of getting \$2,000 from a woman in Niagara Falls, N. Y., under false pretences. He represented to the woman that her money would be for the purpose of shares in a company he was forming to manufacture military equipment. However, he managed to dodge conviction, and the last heard of the "count" was from Germany.

Canadians Sick at Salisbury

Montreal, Dec. 14.—There are 700 men in the Canadian contingent camp at Salisbury, in the Salisbury Plain correspondent of the Montreal Star. The correspondent says the first brigade are moving their camp as the single flooring in the huts is so draughty, being built so high from the ground that they prefer the tents.

Halfway N. S., Dec. 11.—Thirty-eight disabled and rejected soldiers from the first Canadian contingent returned by the Atlantic Line steamer Scandinavian today. Twenty-three are on the sick list, and retain their uniforms. The other 15 are "fits" who have been dismissed because of drunkenness and disorderly conduct.

The names of the men invalided are: Athol, Herbert, Paris, Ont.; Adam, Joe, Montreal; Buckland, Frank, Winnipeg; Campbell, Joe, Vancouver; Cote, Charles, Sherbrooke, Que.; Cooper, Jim, Hamilton, Ont.; Cuff, Thomas, Toronto; Dyer, Robert, Poplar Point, Mass.; Elsterbeck, Harold, Kingston; Hillier, S., Toronto; McInnis, George, Montreal; MacKay, John H., West Selkirk, Man.; Matheson, James, Montreal; Mangel, Emil, St. John, N. B.; McKee, Donald, Winnipeg; Maxwell, Robert, Winnipeg; O'Brien, Henry, Toronto; Bramford, R., Fredericton, N. B.; Taylor, Albert, Ayres, Que.; Wheeler, W., East Douglas, Mass.; Whitehouse, Thomas, Hamilton.

The men dismissed whose names are not made public are three from St. John, N.B.; five from Toronto; three from Winnipeg; one from Vancouver; one from Brandon; one from Ayres, Que.; and one from Montreal.

THE DAY'S BEST EDITORIAL

Who go to war and are slaughtered?

The flower of the nation's manhood. The men from whose loins are to spring the next generation; the men physically and mentally fit.

Who are not allowed to go to war?

The invalids, the cripples, the criminals, the degenerates, the insane, the deformed, the dependent.

"One hundred thousand killed," blithely sings the headline in your newspaper. One hundred thousand young men—men as near physical perfection as is possible. Artisans, strong limbed laborers, healthy and vigorous artists, scientists, musicians, playwrights, musicians, inventors, sportsmen, singers, professors, doctors, lawyers, bankers, brokers, electricians, civil engineers, architects.

Every day famous men are killed. All that can be gained by the victory in this war will not be worth the life of one of these men, some of whom have brought great joy to millions of human hearts and who have added much of heaven to this earthly life. There have been four European kings combined.

It is reported that Fritz Kreisler, the violinist, was wounded while serving in the Austrian army. Fighting as a common soldier was this remarkable man, who can transform his violin into a human voice and express to enraptured thousands the best that man has ever expressed in music. It seems only yesterday since he held an audience at Powers' theatre all but spellbound. Kreisler's right hand holding the violin bow is worth more to the world than the right hand of any monarch grasping the sword.

Gustav Hildebrand and Armando Crabbe were killed in battle the same day. Both were famous singers, members of the Chicago Opera Company that could not be organized for this country war because its members were drafted into European armies.

One wore a private's uniform in the French army, the other was a private with the Belgian troops.

The death of these men comes home to us with particular appeal. Hildebrand, Crabbe, Kreisler, as well as those hosts of other singers and artists and poets who were drafted as soldiers, were not French or Belgian or Austrian or German or Russian. They were citizens of the world. Art, music, letters, know no country. And yet these citizens of the world are fighting and dying in the insane battles of a senseless war.

Who does not rid a nation of its accursed race? It is the very life blood—the life blood of labor, of art, and of science. Left behind to live on are the least fit—all that are undesirable, those who are men in name only. It is thus the death march of an oppression upon a race that, last for generations or until the race cleanses itself again by the due processes of time. The Napoleonic wars reduced the stature of the men of Europe by a full inch.

The race must be perpetuated by poor mental and physical wrecks who are not available for army service.

Of all the horrors of war, there is none more ghastly than this. The present war is a war of extermination. Who are to be exterminated? The strong men, the talented men, the clear men.

Who are left to breed a new race? The feeble, the degenerated, the blind, those who are afflicted with the awful blood diseases, the unclean, the palsied, the criminals, the degenerates, the lowest types of men.

WANT ALL NEW ZEALAND MEAT LABELLED

Canberra, Dec. 11.—If the sheep breeders have their way the thousands of carcasses of Australian and New Zealand mutton which daily pass through the hands of the Australian and New Zealand staff, will be prominently labelled with their place of origin so that all those who "buy meat read," and know what nationality of mutton they are getting.

At the meeting of the Alberta Sheep Breeders' Association held at the exhibition grounds Tuesday, incidental to the Winter Fat Stock Show, a resolution was unanimously put through urging that the Dominion Government regulations requiring all Australian and New Zealand mutton to be labelled so that the consumers could know what they were purchasing be enforced. It was stated that the mutton imports were still being made into Alberta, restricting the encouragement of the sheep breeding industry in the province, which is considerable below par.

New Zealand resolutions were approved by both the sheep breeders and the Alberta Sheep Breeders' Association which, if effective, will do much toward bettering both industries in the province.

The intention was expressed at the sheep breeders' meeting of carrying out the program inaugurated in limited measure last year of co-operative marketing of wool. These two things in themselves would do a great deal to foster and help the sheep growing industry of the province. It was stated that even though the association was not able to do it on a large enough scale last year, what was done was sufficient to ensure that it was much needed.

The co-operative system of marketing meant 3 cents per pound difference at least in the price of the wool. The co-operative officers for the Sheep Breeders' Association were: President, H. Knight, Calgary; first vice-president, P. M. Brad, Calgary; second vice-president, Percy J. Jackson, Calgary; secretary, E. L. Richardson; directors: H. Hill, Lloydminster; Fred Downie, Calgary; H. Howell, Lethbridge; H. W. Watkin, Olds; E. Parley, Alta.; R. Ranton, Calgary; P. Stuart, Pelly; Angus McIntosh, De Winton; A. H. Malcolm, Inuvial; E.

K. Swift, Viking, honorary director; W. F. Stevens, live stock commissioner; C. W. Peterson and Bryce Wright, Calgary. A resolution was also put through asking for the engagement of a Dominion wool grader for the province.

Considerable optimism was displayed by the hog breeders, that conditions would adjust themselves within the next few months and that the hog industry would be on a normal basis. At present, it was stated the price of feed was proving somewhat of a detriment to the industry. The high price for food consequent upon the war was inducing some of the farmers to throw their hogs upon the market if they did not have feed. Even those who had feed were throwing away their hogs practically, and realising on the high grain prices. The opinion was expressed that the high grain prices were not an unmixed blessing, while it was stated that nothing would be lost by the farmer hanging on to his stock in spite of them.

Thousands of dollars worth of damage is done yearly to the Alberta hog by leaving in unloading. To rectify this in some measure the association decided to ask the railroad companies to provide proper unloading chutes at all yards.

Officers of the association elected for 1915 were: President, Lou Hutchinson, Duhamel; first vice-president, Oscar Miller, Cheadle; second vice-president, H. S. Currie, Ingleton; directors, W. J. Hooten, Bittern Lake; John Maurer, Clive; S. C. Swift, Viking; Roland Ness, De Winton; G. H. Hutton, Lacombe; J. Walters, Clive; W. E. Tees, Lacombe; A. J. C. Bock, Lethbridge; J. B. Brown, Aldersburg; honorary presidents, W. F. Stevens, live stock commissioner, Edmonton; Dr. J. G. Rutherford, Calgary; C. W. Peterson, Calgary.

As to the season and of the preceding year, owing to meteorological conditions, the quality of grain shown at the annual seed fair was very good, comprising a very high percentage of the opinion of Manager Blie, of Edmonton, who inspected the exhibits.

Competition in the various classes was keen, however, and there were 74 entries. J. Cook, of Cochrane, took first prize for wheat; John Robinson, Medicine Hat, second, and Wm. F. Noeline, Kneehill Valley, third. W. J. Lucas, Calgary, got first in six. Abundant oats, C. H. Barons, Lloydminster, second, and Albert Louhed, Bowden, third. In Banner Oats, Louhed got first; J. Cook, second, and D. Fordyce, Rocky Mountain House, third. In six, Abundant barley, D. Fordyce, was first; Lucas, of Calgary, second, and E. R. Rasmussen, Wetaskiwin, third.

Among the visitors to the show yesterday were M. Stark, manager of the Edmonton fair; W. K. West, director of the Edmonton fair; W. MacC. Moore, president Provincial Poultry Association, Edmonton; W. H. Fairfield, manager of the Experimental Farm, Lethbridge; and R. Secord, Edmonton.

FOUR AUSTRIAN ARMY CORPS FLEE BEFORE SERVIANS

London, Dec. 12.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from its correspondent at Kragujevatz, Serbia, says:

"The Austrian debacle is now an established fact. The Servians drove a wedge into the centre of the Austrian forces, shattering four army corps, which are now in flight. The mass of prisoners and captured material is so great that it cannot be tabulated. The Servians are pushing the pursuit vigorously and successfully. The roads in the rear of the Serbian army are blocked with incoming prisoners, who appear satisfied that their ordeal is over. Entire battalions are seen marching under guard of a handful of Servians, while many prisoners come in absolutely unattended."

Enlistment in Second Contingent

Ottawa, Dec. 11.—Thirty thousand men have already been enlisted for the second contingent, according to the latest report to Major-General the Hon. Sam Hughes.

Along the lines of the plan recently adopted, recruiting is proceeding at the different centres at a rate which is wholly satisfactory, says the minister. A great many who could not go at first when industry men were mainly called for, are readily responding now that mounted troops are needed.

The plan whereby the enlistment is not centralized at divisional headquarters, but is spread all over the larger towns and villages is working well and greatly facilitating the enrollment.

There is every justification for the belief that no difficulty will be experienced in raising whatever quota is required from Canada, the immediate plans calling for 100,000.

CHURCHILL'S METEORIC CAREER

Ten years ago a captain in the British army, today at the age of forty first, lord of the admiralty and head of Britain's first line of defence, who is there, on whatever side of politics he may be, who is not willing to admit the genius of Winston Spencer Churchill?

The meteoric career of this young man at the house of Mark, is almost entirely to his own brain and very little of it to the accident of birth. In many ways his career resembles that of Theodore Roosevelt, twenty years ago, president of the United States. They have the same volatile temperaments, the same love of adventure and military ardor, the same fearlessness of public condemnation.

Mr. Churchill has been accused by his political opponents of every crime under the sun. The more hated because he left the Unionist for the Liberal party, they seemed to forget that he had only followed a little farther in the footsteps of his brilliant but ill-fated father who, when a young man, organized the "third party" in the Imperial House of Commons and so harassed poor Sir Stafford Northcote, the government leader, that the prime minister had to give him a peerage and send him to the house of lords to satisfy the young recalcitrants.

Since taking charge at the admiralty, Mr. Churchill has strained every nerve to keep that service up to the highest state of efficiency and its splendid preparedness for the present war is due to his efforts and to those of Lord Fisher, who is now back at his old post of first sea lord.

Close observers of British politics predict a still more brilliant future for "Winnie," as he is called by his friends. At an early stage in his ministerial career he showed a disposition to hobnob with Lloyd George and it was thought that he was following in the democratic footsteps of the chancellor of the exchequer. Since he became the official chief of the navy and added a few grey hairs to the head which reposes on his stooped shoulders, Churchill has grown more conservative in his ideas, and if Sir Edward Grey were out of the way the fight for succession to Mr. Asquith in the leadership of the great Liberal party would without doubt be between him and Lloyd George.

The Lacombe Guardian

F. H. SCHOOLEY, PROPRIETOR

GERMAN COLONIES NOT SUCCESSFUL.

One of the causes of the war is alleged to be to assist Germany's commerce. With similar objects in view, other countries have made it a practice to plant colonies in various parts of the world, and especially in the case of the British colonies the plan has been most successful both commercially and as outlets for superfluous population. It is therefore surprising to learn that such a commercially practical people as the Germans have failed in their efforts in both of the above mentioned respects. A few new facts told in an editorial in the special war issue of The Scientific American of December 5, from which the following is an abstract:

"If the allies should win decisively in the great war, what will become of the German colonies? Some of them have already been granted from the Fatherland, and in the case of at least one—Kiaochow—the present possessors have announced that their capture will never be restored to its recent owners."

"If the above question is interesting on account of its political and economic aspects, it is no less so from the point of view of pure science. In fact, we are inclined to think that German colonization has been more fruitful in a scientific sense than in any other. Neither as commercial enterprises nor as homes for the surplus population of the parent country have the German dependencies been conspicuously successful. According to the latest statistics, these possessions had an aggregate population of 14,800,000, of whom fully 24,170 were of European race, and of these only about 13,500 were permanent settlers. In other words, a single small town in one of the great self-governing colonies of Great Britain—Canada, Australia, or South Africa—could sustain a larger number of Europeans (and in some cases, a larger number of Germans) than the entire colonial empire of Germany. Germans do not emigrate to the German colonies (so called), but to the United States, Canada and South America."

LIQUOR INTERESTS WILL FIGHT PLEBISCITE

Edmonton, Dec. 12.—The plebiscite with regard to prohibition ordered by the provincial legislature at its recent sitting, under the terms of the direct legislation act will not be taken without a legal fight on the part of the liquor interests, according to information supplied to the Bulletin.

The rumor is that at a meeting of the Licensed Victuallers' Association, held in Calgary recently it was decided that as soon as the announcement of the appointment of the returning officer is made by the government, an application will be made for an injunction to restrain the returning officer from taking steps to hold the plebiscite.

Several legal points, it is understood, will be raised. One is that the plebiscite should not be taken until the validity of the signatures attached to the petition is ascertained. A number of other objections will also be registered.

WAR PRISONERS SENT TO THE NORTH TO CLEAR LANDS.

Ottawa, Dec. 12.—The first movement of alien enemies to Petawawa military camp where they will be put to work during the winter months commenced Wednesday when 100 Austrians Germans left Montreal for the north, while a similar number were taken from Kingston.

Six hundred more will be sent to this camp, making 800 in all. It is expected that by the time the snow goes it will be in good shape for military manoeuvres.

The plan arranged with the Quebec government to send several hundred of the alien enemy north to clear arable lands along the

N.T.R. will soon be put into effect. The district chosen for this work lies around Parent, a station 250 miles west of Quebec, where a large tract of land will be cleared. Several hundred men will be put to work in this district within the next fortnight. They will be given an opportunity to settle on the cleared land when the war is over should they desire to do so.

One of the questions which Premier Hearst took up here with Sir Robert Borden and his government, was the employment of prisoners of war in clearing government land for settlement. The Ontario government appreciates the value of the plan which the Quebec government adopted without delay.

It has great areas of land which can be profitably cleared and turned into sound agricultural area, and wants to have its full share of German and Austrian prisoners of war for this work.

Premier Hearst is understood to have made some enquiries into the attitude of authorities toward the three German professors who have been given a year vacation with pay by the governments of the Toronto University. They are not likely to be required to report to the alien registration officers, and it is not likely that their departure from the country will be forbidden.

LOUGHEED, VAN HORNE AND CANADA'S COMING PERITY

A few days ago Sir William Van Horne gave out an interview in Chicago, from which it is evident that Canada's great railroad builder takes the calm view of the war situation that is shared by business men upon every hand as the facts become clear and the panic feeling gives way to soberness. Nor is Sir William the only one who feels that no harm can come to Canada. Right at home here, Senator Lougheed expresses the same view, following a trip to Eastern Canada, and as a climax to their optimistic statements, both Sir William and the Hon. J. A. Macdonald predict for Canada, at the close of the war, a period of prosperity exceeding any that has hitherto been enjoyed.

And that the views expressed are sane is evident from the fact that, being a food producing country, Canada will not suffer any stringency of food. Then, since the food supply is secure, so also should Canadian finances be sound. When the European nations are no longer bled to pay for our foodstuffs, the war will cease from this, if no other cause. The banker will have his money whether in peace or war, and Europe must pay for the agricultural products she will certainly require. With the fields of France and Germany, England, Russia and Belgium failing to produce their accustomed crops, Canada will have to assist in making up the loss, and this will be well and good for the country. Consequently, it is easily discernible that Senator Lougheed, Sir William Van Horne and others who think similarly have good reason for their optimism.

RUSSIA MAKING GREAT SACRIFICES FOR TEMPERANCE

London, Dec. 11.—Telegraphing from Petrograd, Reuter's correspondent says:

"How great are the financial sacrifices Russia is making to promote temperance among her people at a time when money is sorely needed for war purposes, was disclosed by the latest official statistics concerning the spirit monopoly. These show that the receipts from this source for September were about \$462,000, which is about \$39,200,210 less than for the same month last year. The number of kegs of spirits sold in September was 102,714, which is 9,190,297 less than in September a year ago."

BLACK FAMINE FACING THE BELGIANS.

London, Dec. 11.—"If somebody does not come to our aid, God knows what will become of us," writes two leading residents of Blankenberge, West Flanders, in a pathetic appeal they

presented today to the representative at Rotterdam for the American relief in Belgium.

These men were deputized to seek help on behalf of Heist, Wenden and several other communities as well as Blankenberge, all of which they say "the situation is so grave that if in the near future food does not arrive they will be plunged into blackest famine."

The plight of these places is particularly desperate because they are cut off from all communication with the rest of Belgium—even with Bruges, capital of the province in which they are situated.

Blankenberge, the appeal says, has received no contributions of money or supplies from any source up to the present, yet has contrived to feed 1,600 persons daily, but now the funds of the community are completely exhausted.

YOUTH USES KNIFE TO DO AWAY WITH RIVAL

Cardston, Dec. 11.—Rivalry for the love of a girl was the cause of a serious stabbing affray last week at Kimball, which is a small village situated about ten miles to the southeast of Cardston. The incident took place at the small opera house there, at which place the Cardston Opera Company was presenting "The Merry Wives of Windsor."

At the close of the first act a commotion was heard outside, which proved to be a violent fist encounter between John Franks, Jr. and Jack McDonald, both of Kimball, and well known in that district. Antagonism had existed for some time between the two, since the latter had supplanted the former in the affections of his sweetheart. Franks had threatened to kill his rival, and apparently had come to the opera to seek him out with that end in view. Evidently the good old English way of settling the dispute was not speedy enough, as the two men were very evenly matched, so drawing his long six ounce cut-throat knife, Franks succeeded in stabbing his opponent in the back beneath the left shoulder-blade. Thereupon he quickly seized his horse and rode with all speed for the United States boundary line, a few miles away.

McDonald was taken in hand by friends who examined the wound, a nasty cut some two inches in length, and so deep that it was thought at first to have pierced his lungs, and from which blood flowed freely.

Justice of the Peace Dunn, of Kimball, set out in pursuit of the knife user, but as yet no news has come to hand regarding him.

GERMAN TRADE REJECTED IN UNITED STATES

Ottawa, Dec. 12.—Another proof of a lack of desire on the part of American business men to do business with the Germans was given lately by a well-known manufacturer. Commenting on the difficulties experienced in securing a supply of raw wool, this manufacturer stated that three of the biggest dealers in Boston were recently approached by German buyers, who offered to buy their whole output. The Germans were told by the Boston firm, however, that they preferred to stick to their old Canadian and British customers. The action of these firms has been much appreciated in Canadian business circles.

ROBLIN INSISTS

Winnipeg, Dec. 11.—Premier Roblin has sent a communication to Dan McLeod, president of the Licensed Hotelkeepers' Association, stating that the government declined to amend or moderate its mandate to the effect that all bars in Manitoba must close at 7 o'clock each evening, and the wholesale liquor stores at 6 o'clock each evening, beginning with December 10.

Mr. McLeod refused to discuss the text of the premier's message any further, stating that it was not the policy of his association to do so.

The reply of the premier was in response to a large deputation of hotel men which waited upon the government. It was given after the provincial cabinet had met for over two hours to discuss the case presented to them.

AVIATOR LOOPED THE LOOP IN CONTEMPT OF GERMAN.

MANS.

Ottawa, Dec. 12.—All Antwerp is secretly laughing over the recent discomfiture of a large portion of the German garrison in that town last week. An aeroplane of the allies was seen approaching the city, dropping bombs, and also chattering messages. Bombs were dropped with such skill that the post on bridge across the Scheldt, which demanded all the impetuosity and skill of the German engineers to keep in anything like order, was once more smashed.

The Germans opened fire, but the daring aviator seemed to possess a charmed life, for he flew over the city waving to those below and dropping messages which told the inhabitants to be of good cheer, for their friends would be coming by December 16 or 18.

Suddenly the aviator turned his course and the machine began to describe weird evolutions. For sheer devilment, and to show his contempt for the shooting of the Germans, the aviator was looping the loop.

In rage at this insult, the Germans once more opened fire, but their efforts were hopeless against the ever-changing target of the daring aviator. To their disgust the aviator, having completed his frolic, flew off unharmed.

GERMAN SUBMARINES MAKE FUTILE ATTEMPT ON BRITISH SHIPS.

London, Dec. 12.—Half a dozen German submarines made an attempt at 6 o'clock Thursday morning to enter the admiralty harbor and make an attack on British warships there, according to a Dover despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company, and for half an hour the batteries kept up a furious fusillade, firing at least two hundred shots. It is reported that two or three of the submarines were sunk, but no confirmation of this can be obtained.

The attempt was made under cover of early morning darkness during a heavy rainstorm. The first alarm was the despatch, and given by the firing of a naval gun, and soon all the batteries were in action.

THE SUPREME COURT OF ALBERTA 1914-1915

Sittings of the Supreme Court of Alberta, Appellate Division, and for the trial of cases, civil and criminal, and for the hearing of motions and other civil business, will be held at the following times and places for 1914-1915. When the date set for the opening of a Court or Sitting is a holiday, such Court or Sitting will commence on the day following such holiday.

Sittings of the Supreme Court, Appellate Division—Edmonton—Second Tuesday in September and January, and first in April.

Calgary—Second Tuesday in November, and fourth Tuesday in February, and third Tuesday in May.

For Trial of Civil Non-Jury Causes—Edmonton and Calgary—Second Monday in September and each Monday thereafter except during vacation.

For Trial of Civil Jury Causes—Edmonton and Calgary—Fourth Tuesday in October and third Tuesday in April.

For Trial of all Criminal Causes—Edmonton and Calgary—First Tuesday in October, second Tuesday in January, fourth Tuesday in March and second Tuesday in June.

Wetaskiwin—Fifth Tuesday in September and fourth Tuesday in February. Red Deer—Third Tuesday in

September and first Tuesday in February.

Medicine Hat—First Tuesday in November and second Tuesday in March.

Macleod—Fourth Tuesday in October and first Tuesday in March.

Lethbridge—Fourth Tuesday in September and second Tuesday in February.

For Trial of all Civil Causes—Wetaskiwin—Fourth Tuesday in November and third Tuesday in May.

Red Deer—Second Tuesday in November and third Tuesday in March.

Medicine Hat—First Tuesday in December and May.

Macleod—First Tuesday in December and fourth Tuesday in May.

Lethbridge—Third Tuesday in May.

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J. D. HUNT, Inspector of Legal Offices.

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RAINBOW CAPTAIN GAVE POSITION TO ENEMY ON LEIPZIG.

Ottawa, Dec. 11.—The explanation of finding of "wreckage" of British warships off the coast of California is not known in government circles here. This wreckage, comprising the wooden fittings of warships, was found in the Pacific early in the fall, and the discovery led to a report that the Canadian cruiser Rainbow had gone down, following an action with German ships. The Rainbow afterwards turned up, steaming north with the British warships Algerine and Shearwater. The wreckage came from the two vessels. Thereby hangs a tale thoroughly in keeping with the best traditions of the navy. The story is old, but worth retelling.

The Algerine and Shearwater are small, old and unprotected, and had been destined for patrol work in Behring Sea before going to Mexican waters to protect British interests there. When the war broke out the commander of this little fleet already suspected that he would get orders to go into a U. S. port to be interned, and the two vessels started up the Pacific. Both were painted the nation was not to his liking, white, and there was no grey paint aboard. The sailors mixed white paint with lampblack and smudged the sides of the ships. They they cleared for action, throwing overboard every bit of woodwork that could be ripped from its fastenings.

Thus prepared they steamed up the coast determined to put up the biggest fight they knew how before they must be blown out of the water by the heavily armed fast German cruisers known to be in these waters. Luck favored them, and they were able to meet the Canadian cruiser Rainbow, which had gone north in search of them. The three ships arrived safely in British Columbia ports, and most of the Algerine and Shearwater crews went to the Niobe.

The Rainbow during this cruise southward also made ready for a fight. The fast modern German cruiser Leipzig was then going into San Francisco harbor. Commander Hove, of the Rainbow, which had gone north in search of them. The three ships arrived safely in British Columbia ports, and most of the Algerine and Shearwater crews went to the Niobe. The Rainbow during this cruise southward also made ready for a fight. The fast modern German cruiser Leipzig was then going into San Francisco harbor. Commander Hove, of the Rainbow, which had gone north in search of them. The three ships arrived safely in British Columbia ports, and most of the Algerine and Shearwater crews went to the Niobe.

JOINS DEPARTING ARMY LEAVING AUTO AT CURB

London, Ont., Dec. 11.—The sight of troops swinging through the streets to entrain for service was too much for Alfred E. Chesney, a local taxi chauffeur. Chesney deserted his car on the curb when London's second army corps passed him on its way to take the train for the Toronto concentration camp. He fell in with the men, arranging for a place with the mechanical transport section of the corps only a moment or two before the train pulled out. His papers were hurriedly filled out, a bible was secured and he was sworn in on the platform by County Magistrate Chittick.

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Lacombe district showed those who might be from Missouri, more at the recent winter fair, where Capt. Brana was awarded first prize on O.A.C. Barley No. 21.

The bazaar given by the girls' branch of the Patriotic League, held in the Comet on Saturday afternoon last, was most successful, nearly one hundred dollars being realized.

A lively interest was taken in the election of school trustees on Monday, and a comparatively large vote was polled. Messrs. McDonald, Sharpe and Collier were elected, showing about the same strength. Parsons was some thirty-five votes behind. There was a dozen spoiled ballots, the same being "plumpers" for Parsons.

Dr. Mosher was unable to be present on last Monday evening to deliver his lecture of the University Extension course, in the Methodist church. However, Dr. Kerr, who was to have been here November 23 but could not come on that date, was present and delivered a most interesting lecture on "The

Was Spirit in England." Dr. Kerr is especially fitted to handle this subject through having spent the summer in England and on the continent, being in England for some time after the outbreak of the war.

The Women's Institute has rented the front rooms of the Dr. Sharpe residence on Norton street, and fitted up comfortable rest rooms for ladies from the country and visitors to Lacombe. Writing materials and other conveniences are provided, and all are cordially invited to take advantage of these rooms when in town.

Tuesday night, December 1st, was a big night for Odd Fellows in Innisfail. The Lodge of that place had invited the members of the order from surrounding towns to be present at a social evening, and Lacombe, Red Deer, Pinhook and Bowden responded to such an extent that it was the largest gathering of Odd Fellows ever held in Innisfail. Provincial Grand Master Henderson and other Grand Lodge officials were present. The Innisfail brethren certainly did entertain their visitors most hospitably. Magnet Lodge No. 12 of Lacombe, was represented by the following Odd Fellows: H. B. McDonald, B. S. Cameron, E. T. Scragg, Jno. Bulger, F. H. Schooley, Paul Hotson, L. McDonald, O. Burton, A. Hopkins, and O. F. Roberts.

The Christmas entertainment at Grace Methodist Church will consist of choruses by the school, several dialogues, a Christmas acoustic, the cantata, "Once Upon a Xmas Time," a flag drill by eighteen young ladies, a floral drill by younger girls and a goodnight drill by little tots, ending up with a Xmas tree. On Wednesday evening, 8 o'clock, 23rd inst. Adults 25c, children not belonging to the school, 15c.

GRACE METHODIST CHURCH.

Special Christmas services will be held in the Methodist church, Lacombe, on Sunday next, Dec. 20. The pastor, Rev. E. T. Scragg, will speak on the Christmas theme, and the following special musical selections will be rendered:

MORNING SERVICE—11 A.M. Chorus—"The Angel's Chorus"; Choir—"Come and Worship" (Gabriel)—Choir; Solo—"The Shepherd's Vision"—H. F. Kenny; Chorus—"Our Message"—Choir. EVENING CHORAL SERVICE—7 P.M. Anthem—"Come and Worship" (Gabriel)—Choir; Solo—"Luther's Cradle Hymn"—Mrs. Scragg; Ladies' Quartette—"The Herald Angels Sing" (Marie Hine)—Messdames Garland, Currie Trimble and Denike; Anthem—"The Thanks of all Menkind"—Choir, with obligato solo by Mrs. D. L. Garland; Male Octette—"Angels From the Realms of Glory" (Dr. Jackson); Anthem—"Glory to God on High" (Marie Hine)—Choir, with solos by Mrs. Currie and H. F. Kenny.

On Monday evening December 21, local talent will put on comedy "All Gadaby's Fault" at the Comet Theatre. Proceeds for the benefit of the patriotic fund.

The annual Christmas entertainment of the Presbyterian Sunday school will be held in the church on Tuesday, December 22nd, at 8 o'clock. A good program will be rendered by the children, consisting of choruses, songs and recitations, after which Santa Claus will appear to distribute gifts of candy from the Christmas tree. Admission free. A voluntary offering is asked for at the door, and all proceeds will be given to the Belgian fund.

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Local News Items

The social given by the Women's Institute was a decided success, and the committee wish to thank all those who in any way helped to make it one of the best ever held in Lacombe.

Dr. M. Mockenbury, eye specialist, will be at the Adelphi Hotel Lacombe, on Monday, December 28, and will be pleased to meet all who have eye troubles which other opticians have failed to cure. He is regarded as the most eminent eye specialist in Canada, and gives you the benefit of his wide experience at very moderate cost.